

**Citizens Advisory Committee  
Intermodal Passenger Subcommittee**

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**Lansing Transportation Service Center  
3101 Technology Blvd., Suite H  
Lansing, MI**

**Meeting Minutes**

**May 9, 2008**

Start time: 9:05 AM

**Member Present:** Gretchen Driskell, Sylvester Payne

**Members Absent:** Linda Miller Atkinson, Kirk Steudle

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Public comment was solicited. No comments were made by interested citizens.

A presentation regarding passenger transportation systems was provided by Sharon Edgar, Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). Questions and discussion followed.

Mr. Payne led a discussion on defining the needs and revenues through 2030, defining the cost of doing nothing, and defining good, better and best. Items from the discussion that were agreed upon or require further action are outlined below:

- Notice was given by Tim Hoeffner (MDOT) that the following information will be added to the CAC website: House Transportation Subcommittee on Public Transit Draft Transit Report, MDOT Intermodal slide presentation from today's meeting (5/9/08), and the House Fiscal Agency White Paper on STF and CTF Bonding.
- The subcommittee would like additional information on how other states (or regions) are funding their transit projects.
- The subcommittee was also interested in learning whether return on investment data exists or can be determined for selected Michigan transit developments (such as those in Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, and Flint). This would include a look at the type and magnitude of development in the vicinity of stations, and perhaps, before and after photos of select areas, and a look at how these projects were funded.
- MDOT will conduct further research to develop information that compares total transit per capita spending by state (as opposed to simply per capita investments by state agencies only).

- MDOT committed to working with transit partners to develop a more robust needs assessment to ensure that local agency needs are fully incorporated into the overall assessment. This includes working to define what good, better, and best scenarios might entail.
- For the next meeting, MDOT committed to working to provide, as a starting point, a written needs assessment of one transit mode of transportation to ensure that the Subcommittee is heading in the right direction.

Mr. Payne led a discussion regarding the future meeting schedule for the Subcommittee. The location and time for the next meeting may change to accommodate those who wish to attend the Detroit Chamber of Commerce presentation “Transportation Infrastructure: Investing in Our Economy.” The Subcommittee scheduled a meeting on June 2, 2008. (Location – to be determined)

Public Comment:

Clark Harder (Michigan Public Transit Association) commented on the content of the presentation and stated that this information is the best he has ever seen in one presentation. Mr. Harder requested an electronic copy of the slide presentation and invited MDOT to present this material at the summer MPTA meeting.

Next meeting:  
May 16, 2008  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Lansing TSC  
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End Time: 11:35 a.m.